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Dear Dr. Kiyota:

Thank you very much for your letter and the accompanying material which I have just received.

I was very pleased to have an opportunity to meet you in Kumamoto, and to discuss the subjects of our mutual interest in neurochemistry. Unfortunately, since our discussion I have been obliged to delay our plans with regard to the establishment of our research program in the proteins of the central nervous system. I would not want to have you take the great trouble of arranging to visit our laboratories until we had them well enough established that there could be some real benefit from the collaboration. The earliest date that I can now imagine that this possibility may materialize is September, 1964, depending in fact on the completion of a new research building which is just now being planned. If I recall correctly, we had discussed this possibility and I believe you had stated that a later date might in fact be more convenient for you.

I would therefore like to suggest that we keep the matter open of the possibility of a visit from you to start in 1964, and that I will keep you informed of our own plans that may bear on these arrangements. Meanwhile, it might be very advantageous for you to begin to investigate the possibility of a Fulbright grant for travel support, which would simplify the travel arrangements. This longer interval of time should also make it easier to make the other plans in your personal and academic affairs, as in ours, to make the trip a convenient one.

If the travel cost can be arranged I believe that we can set up the necessary stipend to cover your personal needs.

Yours sincerely,

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Professor of Genetics

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